

HR 2584

To amend title 35, United States Code, to limit the patentability of tax planning methods.

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Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	May 21, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 21, 2009)

Amends federal patent law to deny a patent for a tax planning method. Defines "tax planning method" as any method for reducing, minimizing, or deferring tax liability (not including tax preparation software).

Actions Timeline

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